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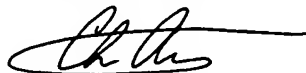
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Sir:

The Examiner's attention is directed to the references which are listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449, some of which may be deemed relevant to the present application. No concession is made that these documents are prior art, and Applicant expressly reserves the right to antedate the documents as may be appropriate. Applicant requests that each of these documents be made of record in the above-referenced application. A copy of each reference listed is attached.

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